



# USDA BROILER MARKET NEWS REPORT

ISSN 1522-0567

MONDAY  
JULY 16, 2007  
VOL. 54 NO. 84

U.S. Department of Agriculture      Agricultural Marketing Service      Poultry Programs      Market News and Analysis Branch

## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Majority prices were mostly unchanged in all areas when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was mixed, but overall steady at best. Retail demand was slow to moderate with limited feature activity. Food service covered the full range with best movement into fast food outlets. Supplies of all sizes were at least sufficient for trade needs. Floor stocks were adequate to long. In the parts structure, interest was mostly light to fair with orders usually limited to immediate needs. Breast items were more than sufficient with boneless skinless cuts often discounted to help move. Wings and most dark meat cuts were adequate and moving satisfactorily. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to instances heavy, but mostly desirable.

**Final Report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 16-JUL-2007 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A MAJORITY	WTD AVG	COMPOSITE		LOADS
			LOADS	WTD AVG	
Boston/New England	TFEWR	:	:	76.51	18
Chicago	75.00-78.00	77.40	34 :	76.82	67
Ohio Cities	TFEWR	:	:	76.94	19
Denver	87.50	87.16	14 :	87.35	15
Detroit	79.00-80.00	80.44	9 :	78.31	55
Los Angeles	88.00	87.41	61 :	85.21	135
New York	79.00-82.00	80.50	20 :	79.59	58
Philadelphia	78.50-80.00	79.27	11 :	78.59	23
Pittsburgh	78.00-81.00	79.73	11 :	81.30	56
St. Louis	77.00	76.49	19 :	77.61	31
San Francisco	88.50	88.74	31 :	90.39	54

### Composite Weighted Average

Loads	07/16/07	Change Last Wk	07/09/07	07/17/06
531	81.24	.12	81.12	67.27

**WOG BROILERS** (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delivered to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities:

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
Eastern	81.00-82.50	81.56	31
Central	67.00-81.00	77.33	75
Western	77.00-85.00	82.47	39
<b>Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent</b>			
Mississippi	79.00-82.00	81.03	87

**GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES** Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broiler/fryers for this week's trading is 81.25 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

### MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG

LOADS	RANGE	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,125	71.50-83.00	80.55

Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed FINAL weighted average price on ice-packed parts:

	WTD. AVG.	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	202.50	1,423
BREASTS - B/S	182.00	5,875
BREASTS - WHOLE	107.50	1,462
THIGH MEAT - B/S	112.00	1,170
LEG QUARTERS	52.00	9,286
WINGS	131.00	2,742

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers ranged light to moderate, mostly fair entering the week. Offerings were at least sufficient for current needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was steady at best. In the parts complex, boneless breasts were readily available and competitively priced; bone-in breasts were at least sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts and wings were adequate and clearing satisfactorily.

**SOUTHERN BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand following the weekend was light to instances moderate for active ads and fast food, but trading was usually limited to regular commitments. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient to satisfy current trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was no better than moderate. Breast items were at least adequate and slow to move, dark meat cuts were readily available, and wings were adequate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices were unchanged. Reported trading for this week's deliveries were at mixed levels. Offerings were adequate to ample for full trade needs. Buying activity for bagged whole body product had improved in areas where features planned. Retailer demand was moderate overall, best to cover ad activities. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 78.40 up .40, with the volume reported at 30 loads down 19 percent.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices in Midwest markets were unchanged; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole fryer market tone was steady. Offerings adequate on light trade call. Retail activity was slow to moderate, while food service trade was slow to good, best into fast food. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights trending heavier than desired. Parts offerings were moderate to occasionally heavy on breast cuts, moderate on the balance of items. Trade sentiment was mostly steady on parts with weak undertone on breast cuts and unsettled on thighs.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was usually moderate for early week business. Offerings were sufficient for trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were reported as mostly desirable. Processing schedules were also moderate. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 81 to 92 cents. Trade sentiment was about steady to mostly steady. In the parts complex, boneless skinless breasts and tenders increased in availability. Wings and most dark meat items were balanced to well cleared.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

### BRANDED U.S.GRADE A

RANGE	79-93
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operation.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying interest was light to mostly fair entering the week as dealers were content to limit orders to most immediate needs. Supplies of boneless skinless breasts and tenders were readily available and slow to clear; bone-in breasts were at least sufficient for current needs. Wings and most dark meat cuts were adequate and clearing satisfactorily. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was barely steady to weak for boneless skinless breast and tenders; generally steady for the balance on the balance of items.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	170	162.01	702,457
TENDERLOINS	140	140.53	94,160
BREAST - WITH RIBS	92-93	102.54	39,080
BREAST - LINE RUN	92	93.21	102,360
LEGS	63-64	63.31	144,600
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	50-51	49.51	237,080
DRUMSTICKS	66-67	68.96	63,520
THIGHS	53-54	62.17	54,640
B/S THIGHS	110-111	110.71	98,040
WINGS (WHOLE)	129-130	127.97	154,160
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.17	13,040
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	36.04	9,840
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	50-55	52.50	18,040

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

**ARKANSAS BROILER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,367	151.00-213.00	151-161	160.36
TENDERLOINS	325	100.00-228.00	-	137.93
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	863	45.00-47.00	46-47	46.25
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,700	48.00-52.00	49	49.86
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	1,170	45.00-54.00	45-47	45.87

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (In Thousands)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	07/16	07/12	07/12	07/09	07/05
Alabama	4,000	3,943	5.43	3,887	5.35
Arkansas	5,357	5,446	5.24	5,037	5.24
Delmarva	2,077	2,224	5.69	2,092	5.70
KY-LA-TN	2,411	2,395	4.99	2,290	5.02
Mississippi	3,126	3,138	5.38	3,087	5.56
North Carolina	2,645	2,606	6.74	2,632	6.85
Texas	2,492	2,417	5.29	2,455	5.22
Total	22,108	22,169	5.49	21,480	5.53
Mon	22,108(A)			21,480(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 16-Jul 2007 is estimated to be 33,076,000 up 2.62 percent from a week ago. and up 3.5 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,233,000 last year 31,959,000)

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJ	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	183	52.00-74.00	58-60	59.30
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	555	42.00-48.00	44-46	44.41
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	874	45.00-51.00	48-50	48.78
WINGS (WHOLE)	280	105.00-129.00	-	119.93
WINGS (CUT)	185	131.00-139.00	-	134.57
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR JULY 16, 2007 -- F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
61.00 - 66.50	63.64	62.91

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS** ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI

WEEK OF 16-JUL-2007 TO 20-JUL-2007, CENTS PER POUND

BREAST - B/S	154.00 - 175.00	155.00 - 163.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	89.00 - 112.00	93.00 - 96.00
LEGS	60.00 - 67.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	46.00 - 52.00	49.00 - 50.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	47.00 - 54.00	51.00 - 54.00
DRUMSTICKS	57.00 - 73.00	-
THIGHS	46.00 - 64.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	95.00 - 134.00	127.00 - 129.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 47.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 50.00	-

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

#### DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

FRESH FRYERS	92-102
ROASTERS 4# & UP	109-118

HENS UNDER 5#

HENS OVER 5#

DUCKS

RABBITS-WHOLE

RABBITS-CUT UP

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

		<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	124
	DRY PACK	123
ROASTERS 4# & UP	DRY PACK	111
	ICE PACK	135
HENS OVER 5#	DRY PACK	95
	ICE PACK	109
DUCKS		185-204

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

JULY 13, 2007

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED ---- PRICES ---- VOLUME ----**

(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	18.00	15.00-16.00	580,800	260,800
WTD AVERAGE	18.00	15.50		
15-20%				
RANGE	16.00-21.00	11.00-16.00	1,970,200	1,290,200
WTD AVERAGE	17.87	13.21		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00	80,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		14.00		

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

JULY 13, 2007

**CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED ---- PRICES ---- VOLUME ----**

(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	16.00	122,400	-
WTD AVERAGE		16.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	17.00-20.00	11.00-15.25	1,586,400	283,200
WTD AVERAGE	18.00	12.52		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HENS**

Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was fair to moderate for the mostly adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product was moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER  
THE WEEK OF 16-JUL-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7.5-12		9.47
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HENS**

Trading levels were unchanged to slightly lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Schedules were reduced to normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER  
THE WEEK OF 16-JUL-07

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-12.75		9.31

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**USDA, AMS, POULTRY PROGRAMS, POULTRY MARKET NEWS AND ANALYSIS OFFICES**

Washington, DC	Voice	(202)720-6911	Michael Sheats
	Fax	(202)720-2403	(Chief)
Atlanta, GA	Voice	(404)562-5850	Johnny Freeman
	Fax	(404)562-5875	(Officer-In-Charge)
Jackson, MS	Voice	(601)965-4662	Gary Brown
	Fax	(601)359-1175	(Southern States Area Supervisor)
Des Moines, IA	Voice	(515)284-4471	Mary L. Adkins
	Fax	(515)284-4468	(Officer-In-Charge)
	Recorded	(515)284-4545	
Long Beach, CA	Voice	(562)388-7337	Nettie Andry
	Fax	(562)432-8295	
	Recorded	(213)534-1335	